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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated April 7, 2005, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

## This reply includes:

- Amendments to the Specification
- Amended Claim Set;
- Amendments to the Drawings;
- Remarks; and
- One (1) Replacement Drawing Sheet Figs. 3A & 3B